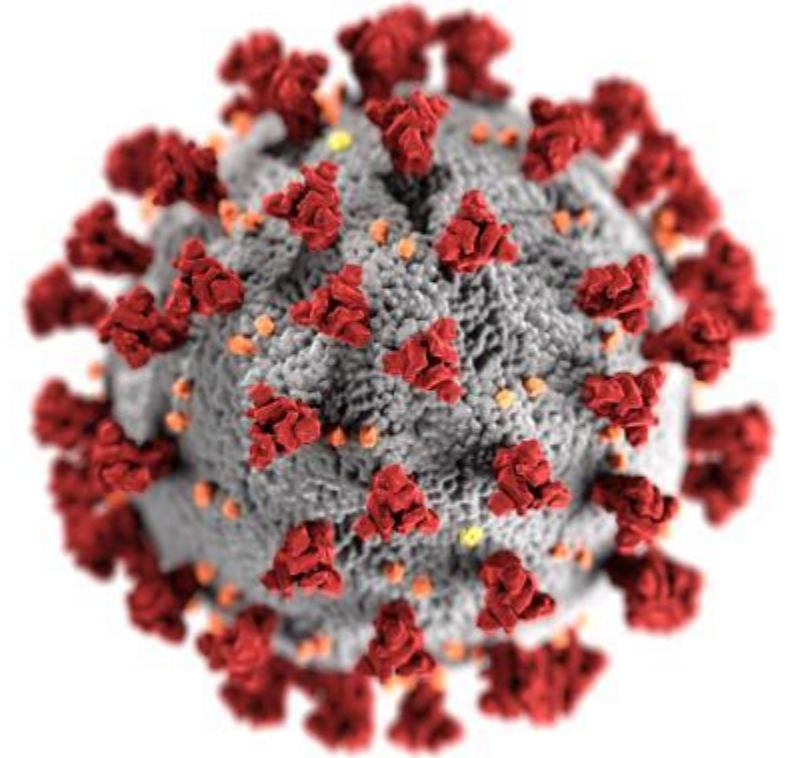


# 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

South Dakota Department of Health

October 22, 2020



**We will begin in just a few moments. Thanks!**



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This is an **emerging, rapidly evolving situation**. Information in this presentation is current as of October 21, 2020. Please check the South Dakota Department of Health website for the most current information and guidance.

[COVID.sd.gov](https://COVID.sd.gov)

# Agenda

- Situation Update
- Laboratory Guidance
- Long Term Care
- Vaccination Update
- Community Mitigation
- Supply Chain Management
- On-going Communications
- Q&A Session



# NEW Close Contact Definition

Anyone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for a total (cumulative) duration of 15 minutes or more within a 24 hour period.

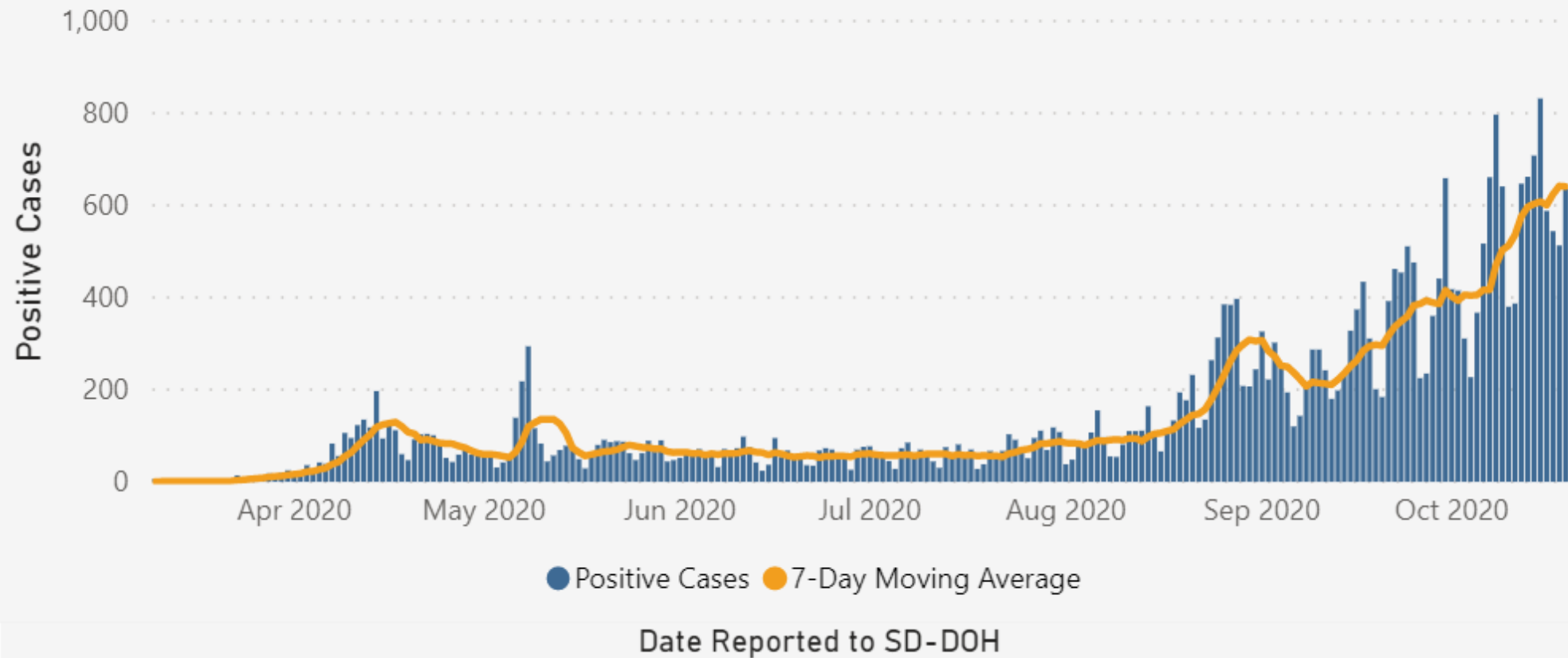
# Coronavirus Situation (as of October 21, 2020)

- [International](#)
  - 40,665,438 confirmed cases
  - 1,121,843 deaths
- [United States](#) (50 states + DC)
  - 8,249,011 confirmed cases
  - 220,362 deaths
- [South Dakota](#)
  - 34,031 confirmed cases, 1,013 probable cases
  - 333 deaths
  - 26,023 recovered cases



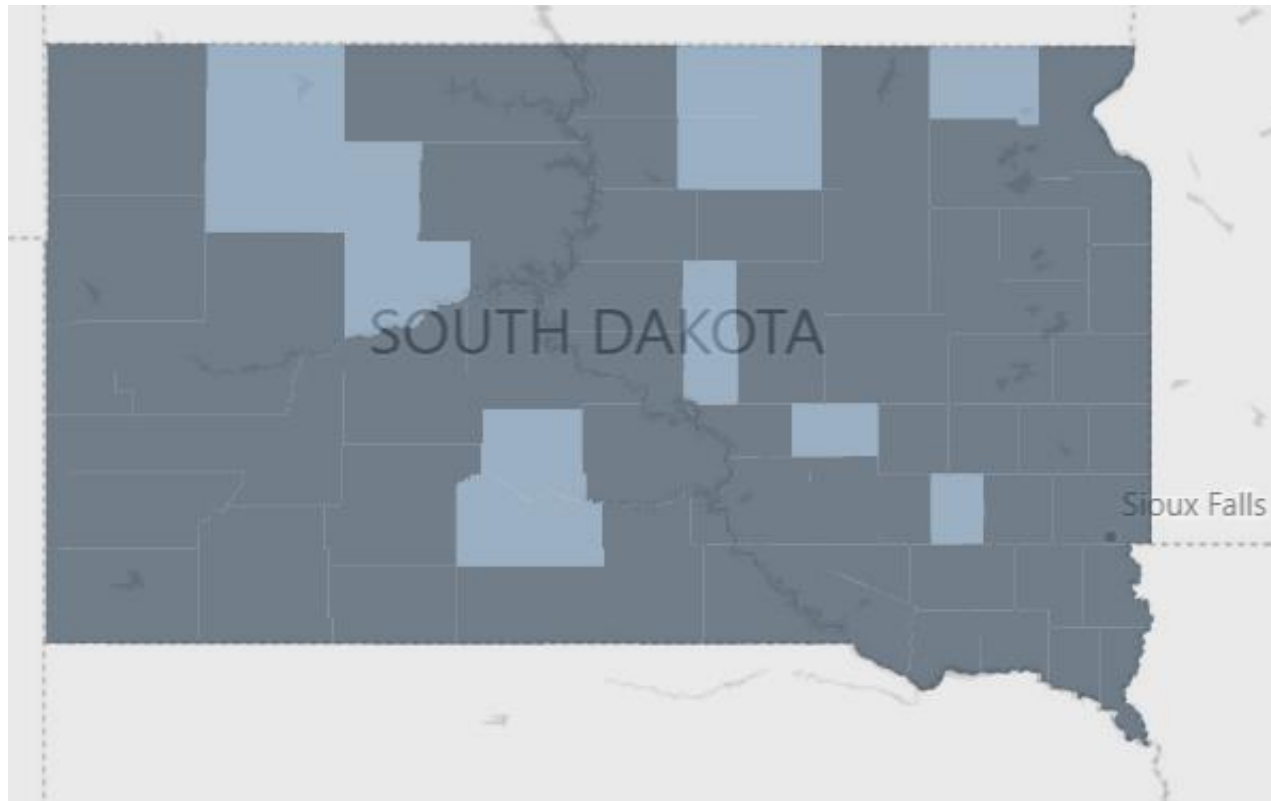
# Epidemiologic “Epi” Curve of COVID-19 Cases, by Onset Date

Positive Cases by Date Reported to SD-DOH



As of October 21, 2020

# COVID-19 Case Map, by County



As of October 21, 2020

## Substantial Community Spread

Aurora	Dewey	Meade
Beadle	Douglas	Miner
Bennett	Fall River	Minnehaha
Bon Homme	Faulk	Moody
Brookings	Grant	Oglala Lakota
Brown	Gregory	Pennington
Brule	Haakon	Potter
Buffalo	Hamlin	Roberts
Butte	Hand	Sanborn
Campbell	Harding*	Spink
Charles Mix	Hughes	Stanley*
Clark*	Hutchinson	Sully*
Clay	Jackson*	Todd
Codington	Kingsbury	Tripp
Corson*	Lake	Turner
Custer	Lawrence	Union
Davison	Lincoln	Walworth
Day	Lyman	Yankton
Deuel	McCook	

# General Testing Recommendations

Medical providers are recommended to test individuals with signs and symptoms compatible with COVID-19 infection, including:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

As of June 18, 2020



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# Messages to Share with Patients

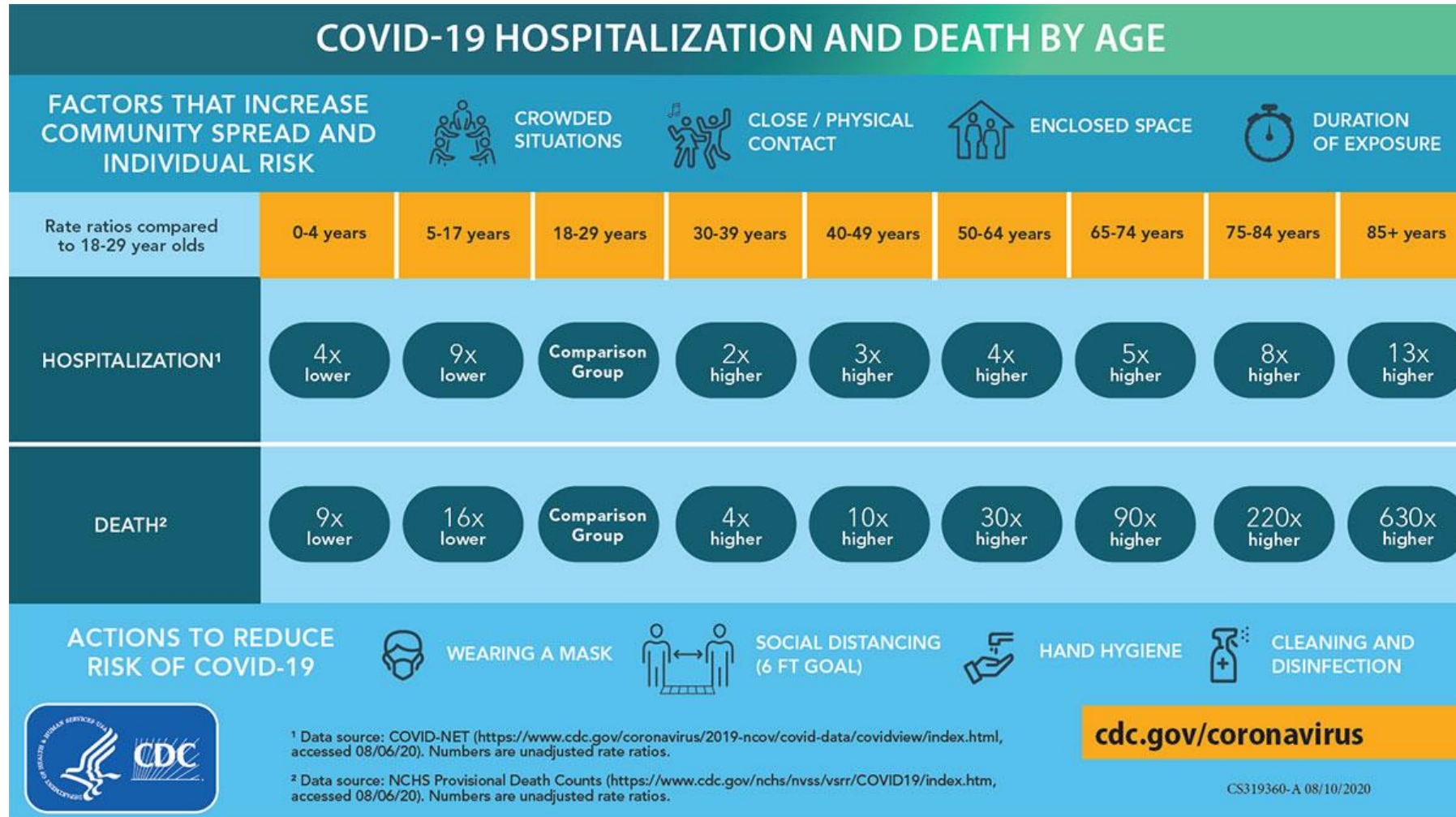
- Isolate at home until the criteria for release are met
- Monitor for warning symptoms (*trouble breathing, persistent pain or pressure in the chest, new confusion, inability to stay awake, bluish lips or face*) of when to seek emergency medical care
- Create a list of all persons who may have been exposed and tell them of their exposure
- No quarantine (*from a new COVID-19 exposure*) is needed for 3 months after a person tests positive for SARS-CoV-2
- Continue to take precaution such as wearing a mask, even after isolation

# Reporting COVID-19 Tests to SD-DOH

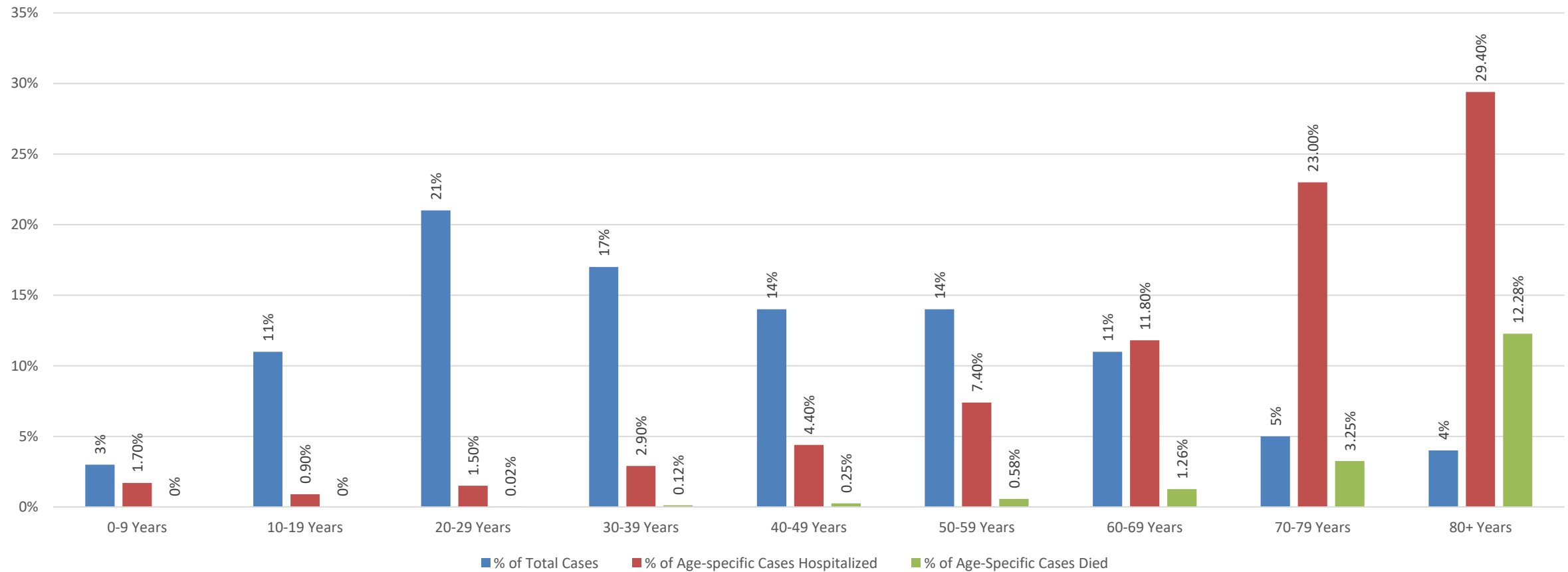
- **Reminder:** Coronavirus respiratory syndromes are a Category I disease
- Report ***immediately*** on suspicion of disease
- Reporting mechanisms:
  - Electronic Laboratory Report (ELR) – HL7 message to SD Health Link (health information exchange)
  - Flat file (CSV) – Secure email
  - Disease reporting website – [sd.gov/diseasereport](https://sd.gov/diseasereport)
  - Fax – 605.773.5509



# National Hospitalization and Death by Age



# % of Total Cases, Hospitalizations, and Deaths per Age Group



# Selected CDC Updates

Available at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/whats-new-all.html>

Schools and Childcare Programs (updated October 16):

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/index.html>

Colleges, Universities, and Higher Learning (updated October 16):

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/colleges-universities/index.html>



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# Laboratory Guidance



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# Statewide Priority Populations for SARS-CoV-2 Testing

It is a statewide priority that ALL individuals with symptoms of COVID-19 be tested for SARS-CoV-2 with the recommendation from a health care provider

- Hospitalized individuals
- Healthcare workers, first responders, and active military
- Critical infrastructure workers in food manufacturing and agriculture
- Individuals in communal living settings like long-term care facilities
- Underinsured or uninsured individuals
- Low-income individuals or individuals unable to pay for testing
- Homeless individuals



# SDPHL COVID-19 Testing Priorities

- Symptomatic hospitalized patients
- Symptomatic healthcare workers, first responders, and active military
- Symptomatic individuals in congregate living settings like LTC facilities
- Symptomatic individuals with no way to pay for testing
- Asymptomatic participants in state-sponsored sentinel surveillance:
  - Long-term care (staff and residents)
  - K-12 schools (adults)
  - Corrections (inmates and staff)
  - Tribes (tribal members)





# COVID-19 Payment for Testing

## **For Individuals:**

- No individual should have to pay out-of-pocket for COVID-19 testing, even if they are uninsured.
- Depending on where the sample was collected (e.g., screening tent or clinic) and who their insurer, individuals may have to pay for the cost of an office visit.

## **Plans and resources to pay for testing costs**

- Medicaid
- Medicare
- Private Insurance
- Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

# COVID-19 Payment for Testing: HRSA

Reimbursement through HRSA is available for the following services provided to the uninsured:

- Specimen collection, diagnostic and antibody testing.
- Testing-related visits including in the following settings: office, urgent care or emergency room or via telehealth.
- Treatment, including office visit (including via telehealth), emergency room, inpatient, outpatient/observation, skilled nursing facility, long-term acute care (LTAC), acute inpatient rehab, home health, etc.
- FDA-approved vaccine, when available.

\*\*Additional information is available at the [HRSA website](#) including a [HRSA FAQ](#)

# FDA EUA Updates

- FDA has issued Emergency Use Authorization for the following:
  - 185 (3): Molecular Diagnostic Tests for SARS-CoV-2
  - 56: Serological Tests
  - 34: (-1) Molecular-Based Laboratory Developed Tests for SARS-CoV-2
  - 6: Antigen Diagnostic Tests for SARS-CoV-2
- Notable Updates:
  - Diagnostic Test: [TaqPath COVID-19 Combo Kit](#) (update; sensitivity)
  - Diagnostic Test: [Roche Cobas SARS-CoV-2](#) (update; pooling)
  - Collection Device: [Spectrum Solutions SDNA-1000 Saliva Collection Device](#)



# Abbott ID Now Allocation: 10/21-11/4

- Manufacture of ID Now tests kits has been interrupted for an unknown length of time
- ID Now allocations are unlikely to occur the week of 10/19
- Status of ID Now allocations are unknown for the week of 10/26
- SDPHL will provide updates as more information becomes available



# Statewide Abbott BinaxNOW COVID-19 Validation Study

- SDDOH is sponsoring a statewide validation study of the Abbott BinaxNOW COVID-19 antigen test in long-term care and corrections settings.
- SDDOH will evaluate the ability of the Abbott BinaxNOW COVID antigen test to detect SARS-CoV-2 in symptomatic and asymptomatic populations.
- SDDOH seeks the following:
  - Data from facilities where parallel or reflex testing occurred that includes the Abbott BinaxNOW and the gold-standard method, RT-PCR.
  - Facilities that currently perform the BinaxNOW COVID tests who are willing to perform dual collection for on-site BinaxNOW testing as well as off-site molecular testing.

# Abbott BinaxNOW Validation Study: Enrollment

- Long-term care facilities that would like to enroll in the Abbott BinaxNOW validation study should contact the following: [Chris.Qualm@state.sd.us](mailto:Chris.Qualm@state.sd.us)
- SDDOH will provide additional opportunities for participation in the validation study as Abbott BinaxNOW COVID antigen tests become available to other groups.
- If you have questions about the Abbott BinaxNOW COVID antigen test validation study, please contact the following: [Tim.Southern@state.sd.us](mailto:Tim.Southern@state.sd.us)



# Long Term Care



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# Disease Impact – United States

*as of 10.04.20*

## Resident Cases and Deaths

TOTAL COVID-19 CONFIRMED CASES

252,939

TOTAL COVID-19 SUSPECTED CASES

143,848

TOTAL COVID-19 DEATHS

59,626

<https://data.cms.gov/stories/s/COVID-19-Nursing-Home-Data/bkwz-xpvg/>



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# Long Term Care in South Dakota

## *Nursing Homes and Assisted Living Centers*

- **Cumulative Total Resident Cases – 876**
- **Cumulative Total Resident Active Cases – 307\***
- **Cumulative Total Resident Deaths – 160**
- **Cumulative Total LTC with Case – 162**
- **Current Total of LTC with Case - 115**
- **Cumulative Total Case in Staff – 648**
- **Total Active Cases in Staff – 256\***
- **Cumulative Total Staff Hospitalized – 21**

*\*self-reported by touch-base calls  
as of 10/19/2020*



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# Staff Testing Frequency & Visitation –

*based on the extent of the virus in the community (county)*

- County positivity rate
  - **Community Activity Low (<5% ).**
  - **Community Activity Medium (5-10% ) week.**
  - **Community Activity High (>10% ).**

<https://www.cms.gov/files/document/qso-20-38-nh.pdf>

<https://www.cms.gov/files/document/qso-20-39-nh.pdf>

<https://data.cms.gov/stories/s/COVID-19-Nursing-Home-Data/bkwz-xpvg>

<https://doh.sd.gov/news/Coronavirus.aspx>



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# Visitation during COVID 19 pandemic

CMS has raised concerns there are facilities not complying with visitation memo and visitation requirements.

We all understand psychosocial harm only gets worse and resident rights needs to be upheld.

Facilities should not implement blanket bans on visitation which are not related to the memo.

Facilitate visitation in your homes (nursing homes and assisted living centers).

- Partnership with the SDHCA and SDAHO to utilize CMP funds to purchase material items (plexiglass, tent, etc.) to help you to allow visitation.
- Partnership with the Ombudsman program to identify barriers and work through concerns and issues to visitation. The Ombudsman program will be conducting a survey.

# Compliance – *to meet the intent of the regulations*

- ***Please keep in mind the intent of the regulations and how best to care for residents.***
- Facilities can meet the visitation regulation by revising their policies and procedures (plan) to ensure person-centered visitation is reasonably allowed.
- Facilities can meet the testing requirements using the rapid Point-of-Care (POC) diagnostic testing devices or through an arrangement with an offsite laboratory.
  - The labs of choice may include Avera, LabCorp, Monument, or Sanford.
  - Use the federal funds through the CARES Act to help support your routine testing efforts.
  - The South Dakota Public Health Lab will not conduct routine testing in Nursing Homes.
- ***Documentation is key to show compliance.***

# Testing for COVID 19 *Comparison Study –*

Abbott BinaxNOW and RT-PCR - asymptomatic or symptomatic staff or resident

Provider using Abbott BinaxNOW

- Provider to collect dual samples
- Provider test sample using Abbott BinaxNOW
- Providers send the other sample to the SDPHL for PCR testing

Email [chris.qualm@state.sd.us](mailto:chris.qualm@state.sd.us) if you would like to participate.



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# Vaccination Update



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# COVID 19 Vaccines/Phase 3

Pfizer	mRNA Vaccine
Moderna	mRNA Vaccine
AstraZeneca	vector (adenovirus) Vaccine
Johnson & Johnson	recombinant vector (adenovirus) vaccine



# SD COVID Vaccination Plan

- Section 1: COVID-19 Vaccination Preparedness Planning
- Section 2: COVID-19 Organizational Structure and Partner Involvement
- Section 3: Phased Approach to COVID-19 Vaccination
- Section 4: Critical Populations
- Section 5: COVID-19 Provider Recruitment and Enrollment
- Section 6: COVID-19 Vaccine Administration Capacity
- Section 7: COVID-19 Vaccine Allocation, Ordering, Distribution, and Inventory Management
- Section 8: COVID-19 Vaccine Storage and Handling
- Section 9: COVID-19 Vaccine Administration Documentation and Reporting
- Section 10: COVID-19 Vaccination Second-Dose Reminders
- Section 11: COVID-19 Requirements for IISs or Other External Systems
- Section 12: COVID-19 Vaccination Program Communication
- Section 13: Regulatory Considerations for COVID-19 Vaccination
- Section 14: COVID-19 Vaccine Safety Monitoring
- Section 15: COVID-19 Vaccination Program Monitoring





# Long-term care plans

Starting October 19, facilities sign up for on-site clinics via:

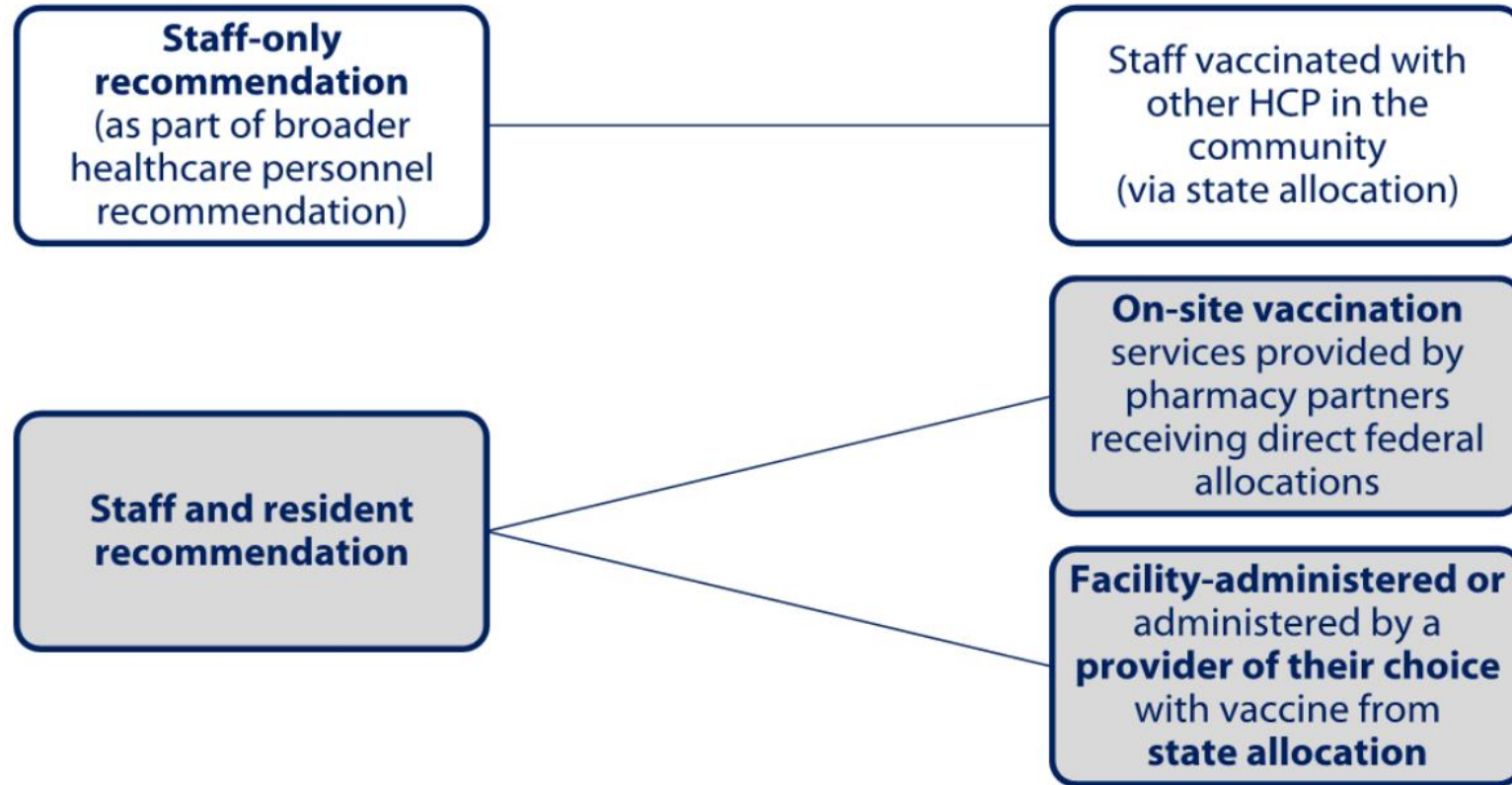
NHSN (SNFs)

REDCap (ALFs)

November: Pharmacy partners coordinate with facilities for scheduling.



# Federal Planning: Engaging Pharmacy Partners For Staff and Residents



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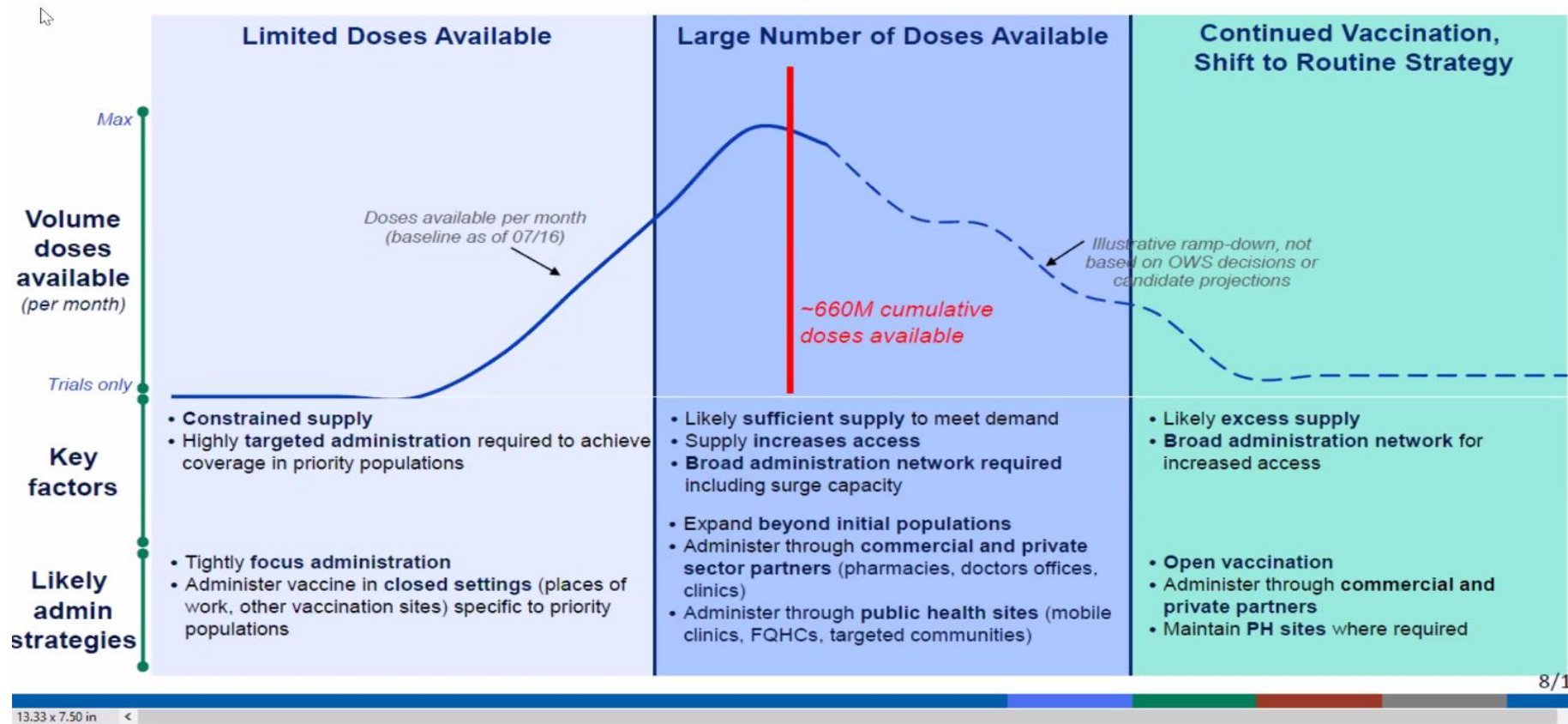


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# Vaccination Phases

*Illustrative scenario for planning purposes; will be adapted based on the clinical / manufacturing information on all OWS candidates and vaccine prioritization*

**Distribution will Adjust as volume of vaccine doses increases, moving from targeted to broader populations reached (phased approach)**



# Vaccination Presentations

Early doses of vaccine will be in multi dose vials

There will be variable vaccine storage requirements -  
70C, -20C, 2-8C

Stability testing is still being conducted and storage  
requirements and expiration dates may change

May be other presentations of vaccine available later:  
SDV, SDS

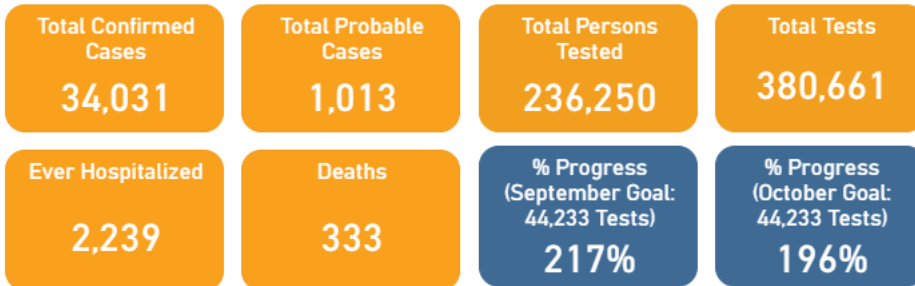
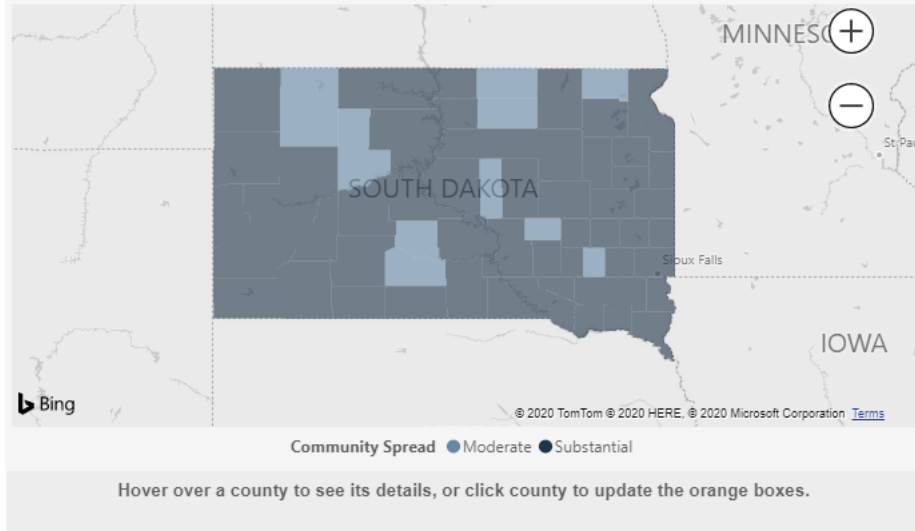


# Community Mitigation

# Dashboard



Community Spread Map by County of Residence



SD Overview	Demographics	Hospital Capacity	Trends	Tables
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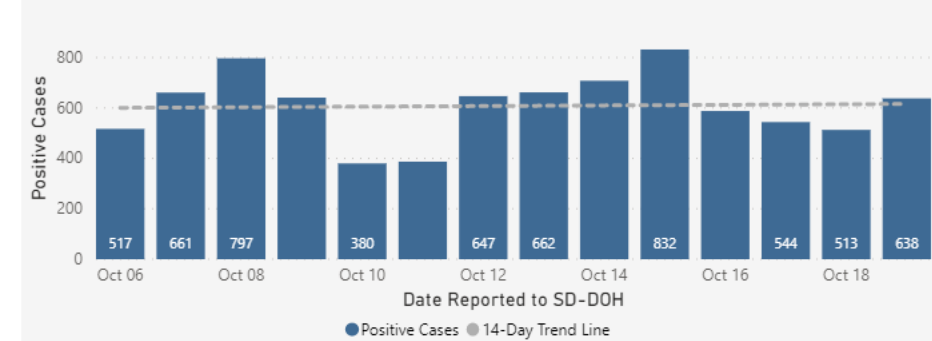
County

All



**RT-PCR Test Positivity Rate:** This rate is equal to the number of positive RT-PCR tests divided by total RT-PCR tests, within the specified period of time.

14-Day Trend of Positive Cases by Date Reported to SD-DOH



# Supply Chain Management



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# PPE Request Procedure

All requests for PPE from DOH must be:

- Emailed to [COVIDResourceRequests@state.sd.us](mailto:COVIDResourceRequests@state.sd.us),
- Faxed to **605.773.5942**, or
- Called in to **605.773.3048** to ensure prioritization and coordination of requests.
- Do not duplicate your request by using all three means of communication.
- Any requests received through any other email or number will all be directed to email [COVIDResourceRequests@state.sd.us](mailto:COVIDResourceRequests@state.sd.us) OR call **605.773.3048** and requesting entities must provide information regarding their current facility status.





# On-going Communication



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# Helpful sources of information:

[covid.sd.gov](https://covid.sd.gov)

[coronavirus.gov](https://coronavirus.gov)

- **SD COVID-19 Help Line: 800-997-2880**

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# Communications

- SD-HAN: [sdhan.sd.gov](https://sdhan.sd.gov)
- [Epi Listserv](#)
- [Lab Listserv](#)
- [HAI Listserv](#)
- [OLC Listserv](#)

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# Questions?

## Follow-up after the webinar

**COVID Helpline: 800-997-2880**

**Epidemiology: 605-773-3737**

**Laboratory: 605-773-3368**

**[COVID.sd.gov](https://COVID.sd.gov)**

**COVIDSD@state.sd.us**



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